

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: METHOD FOR RESTORING A VIRTUAL PATH IN AN
OPTICAL NETWORK USING DYNAMIC UNICAST

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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING RCE

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are timely submitted in response to the Advisory Action dated January 29, 2009 and the final Office action dated November 19, 2008, which specified a three-month shortened statutory period for reply. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on **page 2**.

Remarks begin on **page 39**.